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SUBJ: CIVAIR: NAJEB HALABY EFFORTS WITH SYRIAN AND JORDANIAN AIRLINES

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1. DAVID L. MICHELMORE, CONTRIBUTING ED., "MIDEAST MARKET", CHASE WORLD INFORMATION CORP., RESIDENT AMMAN, INFORMED US JAN 5 THAT FORMER PAA CHAIRMAN NAJEB HALABY IS MAKING PROGRESS IN FORMING AIRLINE MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY GROUP TO ASSIST JORDANIAN AIRLINES AND ALSO POSSIBLY SYRIAN ARAB AIRLINES (SAAL) GIVEN REPORTED GOJ AND SARG COOPERATIVE EFFORTS ON ROUTES AND AIRCRAFT. WELL-CONNECTED SYRIAN BUSINESSMAN, ABDUL RAHMAN ATTAR, ALSO REPORTED SAME INFO JAN 3 TO EMBOFF. MICHELMORE SAID HEALABY WOULD BE BACK IN AMMAN JAN 9.

2. HALABY HAD PROMISED TO VISIT DAMASCUS DEC 4 FROM AMMAN (REF A), BUT SO FAR AS WE AWARE HE DIDN'T MAKE TRIP.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE AMMAN ENCOURAGING HIM TO VISIT DAMASCUS DURING HIS CURRENT TRIP SO WE MAY BECOME BETTER INFORMED ON GOJ/SARG COOPERATIVE EFFORTTS IN AIR TRANSPORT. MOREOVER, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ATTAR VERY MUCH WANTS TO MEET HALABY, NOTING HE WOULD CALL ON

HIM IN NEW YORK IN NEAR FUTURE IF THAT CONVENIENT. AMMAN
PLEASE INFORM US OF HALABY'S TRAVEL PLANS.

3. PER REF B (WE ARE REPEATING TO AMMAN), WE ARE NOT RPT NOT
ENCOURAGING SYRIANS TO TAKE INITIATIVE RE REQUEST FOR
BILATERAL CIVAIR CONSULTATIONS CONCERNING ROUTE RIGHTS TO U.S.
WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT HALABY MAY BE ADVISING IN THIS REGARD,
HOWEVER, AND WITHOUT ENCOURAGING HIM EITHER WE WILL BE
ALERT TO ANY COMMENTS HE MIGHT HAVE.

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